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6. Non-English language reference 2 (JP 11-187127A) corresponds with English Language reference 1 (6,590,877 B1).

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